

Minutes
Nevada State Emergency Response Commission
Legislative Committee Meeting

Grant Sawyer Building, Room 4401
555 E. Washington Ave.
Las Vegas, NV

October 12, 2006

Members Present

Jim Reagan, Chair
Susan Crowley
Stacey Giomi

Members Absent

Carl Byrd
Dennis Nolan

Staff

Karen Kennard
Bruce Ferrel
Suzanne Adam
Mike Soms

Guests

Michael Ardito
Richard Brenner
Jim O'Brien
Steve Orr
Russel Peacock

I. Call to Order

Jim Reagan called the meeting to order at 9:14 a.m.

II. Introductions

Members, staff, and guests introduced themselves as shown above. A quorum was present.

III. *Approval of the February 7, 2006 meeting minutes

Stacey Giomi made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2006 meeting. Susan Crowley seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

IV. New Business

A. Discussion/Recommendation/Action on SERC Bill Draft Request #40-156 regarding amendment of NRS 459.735(3) to revise provisions governing training programs and funding for emergencies relating to hazardous materials

Mr. Reagan stated the SERC bill draft request (BDR) had already been approved by the SERC and submitted to LCB for drafting. The BDR is for a revision to the statute that allows the \$60 per hazmat permit fee collected going directly to the State Fire Marshal's office for training for hazardous materials incidents. There was no fiscal accountability to SERC by the State Fire Marshal's office. If approved, the BDR would

place the fees collected under the fiscal jurisdiction of the SERC to be used for hazardous materials training as approved by the SERC.

No action was necessary on this agenda item.

**B. *Discussion/Recommendation/Action for addition of SERC
Legislative Committee members**

Mr. Reagan spoke about his new position as Chair of the Legislative Committee. Mr. Reagan had a handout for the Committee addressing the status of current committee membership and the need for additional or replacement members. A discussion ensued about current commissioners who might be interested in being a member of the Committee.

Mr. Reagan suggested getting someone from the Assembly to serve on the Commission and this Committee. The Committee will wait until after the November elections to address this issue.

Ms. Kennard stated the Committee chair can make the appointment of members with the approval of the co-chairs. Mr. Reagan will speak to Steve Orr, Tom Porta, and Tim McAndrew to see if they would be interested in serving on the Legislative Committee.

No action was necessary on this agenda item.

C. Discussion of pending Bill Draft Requests which may be of interest to the SERC including, but not limited to the following:

Mr. Reagan advised there was no action to be taken on this agenda item because there was little known about the BDRs. Mr. Reagan stated the Committee needs to be aware of bills, issues, and legislative information that may have an affect on SERC. The bills listed below are currently in BDR form and do not have information published.

- 1) **31-224** - Provides that expenditure of any money received by the State or its agencies for projects or programs relating to potential acts of terrorism must be approved by the Nevada Commission on Homeland Security. Mr. Reagan stated the Homeland Security Commission may be looking at some of the funds that are currently being allocated to the SERC.
- 2) **19-299** – Revises provisions pertaining to the Nevada Commission on Homeland Security. There was no further information on this bill draft.
- 3) **19-300** – Revises provisions pertaining to homeland security. There was no further information on this bill draft.
- 4) **42-561** – Reorganizes requirements for providing training for the State Fire Marshal's office. There was no further information on this bill draft.

Mr. Reagan requested the members share any information on BDRs they see that may be of interest to the SERC. He also advised there may be a need for more Legislative Committee meetings after BDRs are introduced.

V. Public Comments

There was no public comment.

VI. *Adjournment

Mr. Giomi made a motion to adjourn at 9:40 a.m.

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